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DESIGN
PATENT APPLICATION
(37 CFR 1.63)**

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Application Number	/
Filing Date	07/02/2003
Art Unit	
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As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

Process for the preparation of a highly pure pharmaceutical intermediate,
4-(cyclopropylcarbonyl)-alpha,alpha-dimethylphenylacetic acid

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

is attached hereto

OR

was filed on (MM/DD/YYYY) 07/02/2003 as United States Application Number or PCT International

Application Number 10/612,637 and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY) (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

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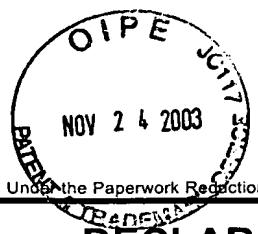
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